

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: NATO, OCON, MILL, AWACS  
SUBJ: USAF E-3A TACTICAL EXERCISE BRIEFING

REF: A. USNATO 6952 (DTG 211705Z DEC 76); B. STATE 309650  
(DTG 230026Z DEC 76)

1. IN REF A WE RECOMMENDED THAT THE USAF E-3A TACTICAL EXERCISE  
BRIEFING BE OFFERED TO PERMREPS. WE PROPOSED THAT WE APPROACH  
SYG LUNS AND OFFER THE BRIEFING TO INTERESTED PERMREPS FOLLOWING  
THE REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING ON JANUARY 12. REF B CONCURRED.  
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HOWEVER, WHEN THE AMBASSADOR BROACHED IDEA OF BRIEFING WITH  
SYG LUNS, HE RECEIVED A VERY NEGATIVE REACTION. LUNS THOUGHT  
AWACS BRIEFING AT THIS TIME WOULD BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE AND  
WOULD NOT BE WELL RECEIVED BY PERMREPS; HE, THEREFORE,  
PERSONALLY OPPOSED IT.

2. BASED ON LUNS' ADVERSE POSITION, WE NOW CONSIDER IT  
INADVISABLE TO ATTEMPT TO BRIEF PERMREPS, EVEN ON A  
VOLUNTARY BASIS. THE AVAILABLE BRIEFING FACILITIES WOULD  
REQUIRE PERMREPS TO PHYSICALLY MOVE TO ANOTHER BRIEFING ROOM

AFTER THEIR COUNCIL MEETING. SINCE WE DO NOT KNOW WHICH PERMREPS ARE INTERESTED IN THE BRIEFING, WE COULD LOSE A NUMBER OF TH POTENTIAL AUDIENCE IN THE MOVE. THIS UNCERTAINTY, COUPLED WITH THE VERY SIGNIFICANT NEGATIVE ATTITUDE ON THE PART OF LUNS, COULD CREATE AN EMBARRASSINGLY POOR TURNOUT AND THEREFORE, WE BELIEVE, COULD BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE TO THE ENTIRE NATO AEW EFFORT. ACCORDINGLY, WE DO NOT INTEND TO PRESS LUNS FURTHER ON THIS MATTER. WE UNDERSTAND, HOWEVER, THAT THE USMILREP WILL INVITE HIS COLLEAGUES ON THE MILITARY COMMITTEE TO AN INFORMAL PRESENTATION DUE TO THE ESSENTIALLY OPERATIONAL AND MILITARY NATURE OF THE BRIEFING.

3. WE NOTE THAT THE BRIEFING WAS WELL RECEIVED IN NATO CAPITALS. WE RECOMMEND, THEREFORE, THAT FOR THE PRESENT, THE BRIEFING TEAM CONTINUE ITS EFFORTS IN THAT AREA.

4. ACTION REQUESTED: WASHINGTON CONCURRENCEOR COMMENTS BY OOB BRUSSELS TIME JAN 6. STRAUZ-HUPE

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